

[18th October 1927]

	Equipment grants	
	for chemicals and other laboratory equipment.	for other equipment.
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(1) Colleges (first grade) ...	63,922	32,176
(2) Secondary schools including second grade colleges.	28,847	34,974

- (b) The grants will be disbursed in accordance with the rules in the Grant-in-Aid Code.

Pay of the teaching staff of the Secondary and Primary Schools.

* 535 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to make a statement of or lay on the table of the House Government Orders containing steps taken since education became a Transferred subject to improve the pay of the teaching staff of the Secondary and Primary schools?

- A.—A statement showing the revised scales of pay sanctioned for teachers in Government schools since 'Education' became a Transferred subject is appended.^a

The following Government Orders relating to the improvement of the pay of teachers in board and municipal and aided schools are placed on the table:—

G.O. No. 226 Law (Education), dated 27th February 1922.	
G.O. No. 14	3rd January 1923.
G.O. No. 1550	4th September 1925.

Medium of instruction in certain girls' schools in Mangalore.

* 536 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

- (a) whether he is aware that in certain girls' schools in Mangalore as well as other places English is the medium of instruction for children even in the lowest classes; and

- (b) whether Government propose to enforce instruction through vernaculars in such institutions?

- A.—(a) Yes.

- (b) The procedure adopted is in accordance with rule 60 of the Madras Educational Rules. There are difficulties where the pupils' mother tongue is Konkani or Tulu.

Mr. A. B. SHETTY :—" May I know whether in the boys' schools vernacular is not the medium of instruction in lower classes? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" I think Kanarese is the medium."

Mr. A. B. SHETTY :—" Then, may I enquire what the difficulty is with regard to girls' schools for Kanarese being made the medium of instruction? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" I want notice of the question."